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Cloudcroft Editor and Realty Man Shoots Himself in Head; Deranged.

Alamosa, N. M., Feb. 12.—Scott Williams took his own life Monday evening in Cloudcroft, by shooting himself in the head with a pistol. Williams had for several years been afflicted with an affliction of the throat and it is thought despondency was the cause of the deed. He leaves a wife and infant daughter.

His friends are certain that his illness had deranged his mind to such an extent that he was irresponsible when he ended his life.

Williams lived in Cloudcroft in 1911 and became engaged in the real estate and insurance business. About three years ago he bought the Cloudcroft, a weekly paper, and since that time had been editor and owner of the newspaper.

He was secretary of the Otero county democratic central committee and took an active interest in politics during the last election campaign.

Mr. Williams was married about two years ago to Miss Loretta Brick of El Paso, and he and his wife were frequent visitors in El Paso.

**ADMAN AT LUNCH WILL HEAR ABOUT CERTIFIED MILK**

Certified milk for the protection of babies and invalids, and how it is prepared will be the topic at the regular weekly luncheon of the El Paso Adulterated Food Association.

Each member of the club has been asked to bring in a sample advertisement plan most appropriate for the placing of certified milk before the public. The milk is prepared under the supervision of the milk commission of the county medical society of El Paso.

A valuable article will be given to add variety and interest to the meeting. The usual round table discussion will follow.

**MARSHAL DUBOSE RETURNS.**

Deputy United States marshal J. R. Dubose returned Sunday from El Paso, Texas, where he took J. M. Llewellyn and Jack Martin, young boys charged with robbing the Jackson post-office near Midland, Texas, some time ago. The two boys waived an examination trial, and are being held at Pecos until the spring term of court.

AMERICA OFFERS  
ARMS TO CUBA

Would Suppress Revolt; Rebels Defeated in Matanzas Province Clash.

Havana, Cuba, Feb. 12.—Official announcement was made here today that the United States government had offered 5000 rifles and 5,000,000 cartridges to the Cuban government for the suppression of the revolution.

An encounter has occurred in Matanzas province between government troops and rebels. According to a report received here today, the rebels were defeated.

**Police Officials Arrested.**  
The rebel troops were led by mayor Gonzalez of the town of Santo Domingo, Santa Clara province. A police official was taken prisoner. It is reported from Manzanillo, Santiago de Cuba province, that the police and police court officials have been arrested.

Col. Miguel Lorea, a veteran of the war of independence, has been captured near Pinar del Rio after having been pursued for three days. He fell with his horse and his leg was broken.

**E. P. & S. W. TRAFFIC GETTERS OFF TO SEE WESTERN LINES**

Fourteen general agents of the E. P. & S. W. railroad from eastern and western cities left El Paso on a special train Tuesday morning on a two-week tour of the western lines of the railroad. The general agents were accompanied by T. M. Schumacher, vice president of the E. P. & S. W. of New York, and Eugene Fox, general traffic manager. W. C. Barnes, general freight agent, Richard Warren, general agent, and W. D. Shea, traveling freight and passenger agent of the El Paso offices.

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J. J. Kevill, of El Paso, has taken over the El Paso restaurant at Alamogordo, under a lease. He is now making his home there, temporarily, but, as he continues his El Paso business also, he donated \$5 to the El Paso chamber of commerce budget fund yesterday when the El Pasoans met him in Alamogordo.

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Commissioners Order Work Done on One Near Cement Plant; Discuss Taxes.

Unanimously agreeing that the bridge on the upper valley road near the Southwestern cement plant, which is built over the gulch just south of the offices of the plant, is too narrow and dangerous for traffic, the county commissioners voted Tuesday to place the repairs in the hands of commissioner Tim Lyons and the county engineer. It is probable that the bridge will be made wider and that widened approaches on each end of the structure will be built.

**Make Changes for Doctors' Clinic.**  
Changes for the doctors' clinic to be conducted in the basement of the new county building, were discussed by the commissioners. These changes will necessitate an increase on the contract price of \$1500, but it was said that the work of the clinic was of sufficient importance to warrant the expenditure.

**County Property Assessment.**  
A discussion was brought up by commissioner J. M. Walling relative to the work of the county assessor in equalizing the property taxes. He pointed out during the discussion that some of the higher property holders in the city were faring much better in the way of assessed values than the smaller property holders.

County assessor John T. Cain told the commissioners that in some cases smaller property holders were assessed 100 per cent on the value of their property. Mr. Cain was most emphatic in stating that the burden of taxes, which he is working on at present, did not mean an increase in taxes, but that in many cases really meant a reduction in the assessed value, irrespective of the fact that this equalization will increase the assessed valuation of the county by some \$200,000.

**Walling Speaks of Taxpayers' League.**  
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